

Post-Office Notifications.

A mail will close.

The Mails for Shanghai, per French Mail *de la Reine*, will close at 11.15 A.M. to-day, and the same instant instead of at the time previously notified.

For Swatow, Amoy, Takao, and Foochow, — *Formosa*, to-morrow, the 28th instant, at 10 A.M.

The Mails for Saigon and Singapore, per *de la Reine*, will close at 1.30 P.M. to-day, the same instant, instead of at the time previously notified.

MAILS BY THE "ENGLISH PACKET."

The English Contract Packet, "*ORISSA*," will be despatched with the usual Mails for Hongkong, &c., on FRIDAY, the 29th instant, noon.

Money Orders on any of the Money Order Offices in the United Kingdom will be granted at 11 A.M. on the 29th instant.

The Post-Office will be open until 7 P.M. on the 29th instant.

Letters, &c., may be posted during the night

Letters for registration will be received until
4 p. m. on the 29th instant.

Letters may be posted until 10 A.M. on the instant, without late fee.

Letters posted after 10 A.M. on the 29th instant, will not be forwarded unless the Post Office is closed, such as well as the postage prepaid.

The Latest time for posting Letters at this Office is 11 A.M., and for Newspapers, Books, or other Printed Matter, 12 A.M.

Letters for India, letters (but Letters only) addressed to the United Kingdom or *Brindis*, or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet on 11.30 A.M. to the time of sailing, on payment of 2 pence of 48 cents each in addition to the postage.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1871.

It is hereby notified that arrangements have been concluded according to which a regular exchange of direct Mails will take place, by the agency of the BRITISH MAIL PACKETS,

The Mails from Hongkong will comprise, not only correspondence addressed to Italy, but

to correspondence addressed to the several
of the Continent beyond Italy.

The prepayment of the postage on ordinary
letters is compulsory.

The postage on registered Letters must be
repaid: the charge for registration being the
same as the postage on each Letter.

The prepayment of the postage on News-
papers, cues, printed papers and packets of
Letters is compulsory.

The rates of postage are as follows, viz. :—

FOR A LETTER.

Italy.....	18 cents for each ½ oz.
Austria.....	28 " "
The German States.....	" "
Belgium.....	" "
The Netherlands.....	40 " "
Denmark.....	" "
Holland.....	" "
Sweden.....	" "
Norway.....	56 " "
Russia.....	" "

For Newspapers For each four
of France once of four

	<i>Packets of Patterns.</i>	
(Italy)	4 cts.	6 cts.

Switzerland.....		
The German States.....	6	19
Austria.....		"
Belgium.....		"
The Netherlands.....		"
Denmark.....		"
Holland.....	8	16
Sweden.....		"
Norway.....		"
Russia.....		"

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 26th August, 1871.

Arrangements having been made by the French Post Office for embarking and disembarking the British Ocean Mail and from and to Brazil, thereby accelerating the payment by the French Post Office of a transit duty for the Office, it has been determined to augment the rate of postage on letters exchanged in the direct Mails between Hongkong and the French Post Office.

rough France will, in future, be as follows.

To France, Algeria, the French Offices in Turkey (except Constantinople), and the Office of the Consulate-General, 25 cents per 1 ounce.

To Jaffa, Beyrouth, Tripoli (Syria), Latakia, Alexandretta, Messina, Rhodes, Smyrna, Mytilene, the Dardanelles, Gallipoli, Ineboli, Keles, Salonica, Samos, Samouss, Siope, Solina, Trebizond, Varna, Yarus, Gulets, and Itralis, 25 cents per 1 ounce.

To Spain and Gibraltar, 24 cents per 1 ounce.

To The Grand Duchies of Luxembourg and the Netherlands, Belgium, the Netherlands, Prussia, Baden, Bavaria, Bremen, Brunswick, Hamburg, Hanover, Hesse-Electorate, Hesse-Gravendamm, the Principality of Hohenzollern, Birkenfeld, Nassau-Homburg, Lippe, Schwartzburg-Rudolstadt, and Reuss, the Duchies of Nassau, Saxony, Schleswig-Holstein, Meiningen-Hildburghausen, Hesse-Electorate, Hesse-Gravendamm, the Principality of Hesse-Weimar-Eisenach, the Free Cities of Frankfurt-on-the-Maine, Hamburg, Bremen, and Lubek, Switzerland, and Italy, 24 cents per 1 ounce.

To Countries beyond Sea without distinction, 24 cents per 1 ounce.

anover, Saxony, the Grand Duchies of Meck-
lenburg-Schwerin and Mecklenburg-Strelitz.

To Denmark, the Royal States and Austria, 30 cents per ounce.
 To Moldavia, Wallachia, Turkey in Europe, Persia, Roumania, Norway, Poland, and Russia, 44 cents per ounce.
 For pre-payment is compulsory in the case of letters for Spain, Gibraltar, Countries beyond the Straits, Servia (Belgrade excepted), and Montenegro, Schleswig and Holstein, 30 cents per ounce.
 Letters may be registered to all the above countries, except Spain, Portugal and Gibraltar, and the Austrian Provinces; the fee for registration is the same amount as the postage on ordinary letters respectively.
 Newspapers and Presses Current cannot be repaid.
 F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster-General.

It is hereby notified for general information, that on and after the 1st of January, 1937, the rate of Postage, which must be paid in advance, chargeable upon Book and Pattern Packets posted at Hongkong, or for any of the British Postal Agencies in China and Japan, to be forwarded by the British Contract Mail Packets to the Australian Colonies and New Zealand, will be as follows, *per packet*—

For a Packet not exceeding 1 ounce	2
in weight, „ „ „ „	cents
For a Packet above 1 ounce and not	4
exceeding 2 ounces „ „ „ „	„
For a Packet above 2 ounces and not	6
exceeding 4 ounces „ „ „ „	„
For a Packet above 4 ounces and not	8
exceeding 8 ounces „ „ „ „	„
For a Packet above 8 ounces and not	16
exceeding 8 ounces „ „ „ „	„

and so on, adding 8 cents for every additional 4 ounces or fraction thereof.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post Office,
Hongkong, 16th June, 1937.

at, the Postage (which must be paid in ad-
vance) upon letters addressed to Prince Ed-

When forwarded via
Brindisi..... 42 cents each half-ounce.
When forwarded via
Marseilles..... 36 cents each half-ounce.
When forwarded via
Southampton..... 28 cents each half-ounce.

F. W. MITCHELL,
Postmaster General.

General Post-Office,
Hongkong, 28th July, 1870.

